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High Water at Wilmington	6.03 P M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE.
WEATHER BUREAU.
WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 29.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 20°; 8 p. m., 29°; maximum, 26°; minimum, 18°; mean, 23°.

Rainfall for the day, 03; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 1 76.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina—Fair; northwesterly winds; not so cold.

OUTLINES.

At Cincinnati, O., fire destroyed a malt house, a cordage establishment and two commission houses; loss, $200,000 at Youngstown, O., the wholesale grocery house of Lovitt, McConnell & Co. was burned. —— The nomination of Wm S. Forman, of Illinois, to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue, was confirmed by the Senate. —— Virgil M. Moore, a groceryman of Chattanooga, Tenn., was killed by burglars who were robbing his store. —— The Idaho State Legislature elected Henry Heitfelt, a Populist, to succeed Senator Dubois. —— Chief Justice Fuller and Justice Brewer, of the United States Supreme Court, have been selected as arbitrators on behalf of Venezuela in the boundary dispute. —— The official report shows that there have been 4,895 cases of bubonic plague and 3 375 deaths in Bombay; at Karachi, 694 cases and 664 deaths. —— A decision of the Supreme Court of Tennessee causes building and loan associations in Knoxville to wind up business. —— The snow storm along the coast of New Jersey is the heaviest experienced in several years. —— A negro is lynched in Bibb county, Ala., for assaulting a white girl. —— The mercury fell to twenty-one degrees in Jacksonville, and to thirty degrees in Tampa, Fla., yesterday; vegetables were badly hurt, but not entirely ruined; oranges were not seriously damaged. —— The fight between Dick Burge and Eddie Connelly, at Birmingham, Eng., for £1,000 a side, resulted in a draw. —— David Hilliard, a son of the late Judge Hilliard, and Mrs. Wm. Shinzinski committed suicide at Norfolk, Va. —— Snow is from fifteen to thirty four inches in New England; roads are impassable and railway service is demoralized. —— At Wayne, Neb., C. K Rash, while in a fit of madness, brained his wife and three children with an axe. —— Several persons were injured in an accident on the Brooklyn Elevated Railroad, two fatally. —— New York markets: Money on call easy at 1½@2 per cent., last loan at 1½ per cent., closing offered at 1½ per cent.; cotton quiet—middling 7 5 16c; Southern flour dull, easy and unchanged—common to fair extra $3 30@3 65; good to choice $3 75@4 05; wheat—spot active and weaker, with options closing steady; No. 2 red free on board 93¾c; ungraded red 74@94c; corn—spot dull and firm; No. 2 28½c at elevator and 29¾c afloat; rosin dull but steady—strained common to good $1 70@1 72½; spirits turpentine quiet at 27½@28c.

Weyler says he has Matanzas and Havana provinces cleared of Cubans. He has them pretty well cleared of sugar cane. As a cane exterminator he is a blazing success.

The Trusts are doing a pretty scaly business when they are forming one to control the fish market. Not satisfied with the earth they are reaching out for the waters thereon.

Hon. Mr. Mahany, who represents a Buffalo, N. Y., district in Congress will not have to labor hard to achieve a name. He brought it with him, the whole of it—Rowland Frederick Blehner has set Mahany.

Some of the English Judges are not disposed to encourage bicycle riding too much. One of them sent a fellow who stole a bicycle to prison for five years with hard labor, and it wasn't the Judge's bicycle, either.

The Speaker of the British House of Commons may get a bigger salary than Speaker Reed, but he presides over a tame body and doesn't have near as much fun counting quorums and that sort of festivity.

It is reported that the conditions in the famine district of India are becoming worse. The wide area over which the famine prevails makes it very difficult to give speedy relief, in addition to which the hatred of the English is so intense among the natives that many of them refuse the relief tendered and die of starvation and disease.

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Foushee, the Chatham county youth who has just been sentenced for ten years to the Virginia penitentiary for killing the superintendent of the Henrico county reformatory in which he was confined, started on the down-grade by reading yellow back stories and smoking cigarettes. He smoked a cigarette and laughed while the Judge was pronouncing his sentence, and his poor mother wept. The yellow cover and the cigarette are too much of a combination for any boy.

The attention of that Kansas statesman who wants to prohibit the women of that State from riding bicycles should be called to the report of that Massachusetts doctor who says the improvement in the health and the increased longevity of the women of Massachusetts began about the time that the bicycle began to come into general use. What is good for the Massachusetts woman ought to be good for the Kansas woman.

Mr. Balfour, First Lord of the British Treasury, says England will not take the first step towards bimetallism. No one expects England to take the first step, nor any step till England is forced to it, and then she will hump herself to get there.

The New York *Herald* says that this is the time to harvest the ice crop. The *Herald* runs a weather bureau of its own and is supposed to know something of the ice crop. It never gets excited in discussing this subject, but always keeps cool.

An English writer says that Queen Victoria once petulantly exclaimed that she was no longer Queen of England but that Gladstone was King. We don't know about that, but Gladstone is a good deal bigger man than she is.

Ex Senator Manderson, of Nebraska, says Nebraska doesn't expect any Cabinet place. Neither does Kansas, nor Idaho, nor Utah, nor Hawaii, though, possibly Queen Lil might not object to serve if pressed hard.

If Mr. Lyman J. Page believes, as he says he does, in a government of, for and by the people, he will be very lonesome in Mr. McKinley's Cabinet.

Weyler is taking his "bap ism of fire" by firing the sugar cane, so the rebs can't get sugar for their coffee.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. E. WORTH & CO.—Coal.
OPERA HOUSE—James Young.
JAS. D. NUTT—Pyxis toilet cream.
OPERA HOUSE—Sisson's Comedy Co.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

LOST—Silver bracelet.
WANTED—Manager branch office.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— The days are getting perceptibly longer.

— The Wadesboro bank case is laid over till the April term of the Superior Court.

— Mr. Wm. Young, a citizen of Brunswick county, died Wednesday morning in the 80th year of his age.

— The schooner *Ella G. Ells* cleared yesterday for Aguadilla, P. R. with 288 615 feet lumber, value, $9.799. Vessel by Geo. Harriss, Son & Co.; cargo by Chadbourn Lumber Co.

— The members of the Young Men's Christian Association will have complimentary tickets to the Remenyi concert. They can get them by calling at the building to-day. The tickets are not transferable.

— It is important that city subscribers notify us of all failures of carriers to deliver their papers. Call at or send a postal to the STAR office whenever you miss your paper. Carriers who do not attend to their duties will be promptly discharged.

— The residence of Mr. J. D. Benton, 918 South Second street, was entered and robbed Wednesday about midnight. The burglar entered the room of Miss Lizzie Hickman, who lives at Mr. Benton's, but was discovered by that lady, who gave an alarm. Nothing was taken except a pocketbook belonging to Miss Hickman.

— The motormen and conductors of the Wilmington Street Railway Company were not totally forgotten during the cold weather of yesterday. Last night Mrs. Jas. Sprunt sent down to the Power House hot coffee and sandwiches, for which the motormen and conductors were extremely grateful and to which they did full justice.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

—Mr. S. H. Fishblate has returned from New York city.

— Mr. H. L Stevens, of Warsaw, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. J. A. Evertet and bride returned to the city yesterday.

— Mr. W. H. Pyke, of Southport, was a late arrival in the city yesterday.

— Mr. Lewis Hancock, of Hardin's Pharmacy, is confined to his room by sickness.

— Messrs. H. H. Lane and S. S. Crittenden, of Charlotte, were registered here yesterday.

— Mr. Geo. W. Chesnutt is out after an attack of "grip," which confined him to his room for a week.

— Mr. Henry E. Faison, a prominent attorney of Clinton, was among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

— Among the arrivals yesterday were Mr. W. H Blanchard, Warsaw; Mr. Henry Farrior, N. C., and Mr. S. G. Gumer, N. C.

— Miss Grace Rankin, of Charlotte, and Miss Lucy B. Taylor, of Catherine Lake, were among yesterday's hotel registrations.

— During the recent engagement of Mr. James Young in Raleigh a reception was given in honor of the young Southern tragedian by the Misses Busbee.

— The STAR had a very pleasant visitor yesterday in the person of Mr. James Young, the talented young tragedian, who is so rapidly winning his way to popular favor.

— Mr. F. S. Jones, Southern Associated Press operator for the Roanoke (Va.) *Times*, who has been visiting in the city the past few days, left for his home at Florence, S. C., yesterday.

— Mr. George I. Nowitzky, manufacturer and proprietor of the well known "Indian Tea," is in the city. Mr. Nowitzky is a newspaper man as well as a medicine man, being the editor and owner of "Nowitzky's Monthly & Travellers' Guide."

Remenyi's Violins.

Everybody knows that a fine violin is a valuable thing. But probably everyone does not know just how valuable they sometimes are. The violin on which Remenyi will play at his concert in this city next Tuesday night is said to be worth $8 000. He has another which he lately bought in London, giving $6 500 for it. Altogether he has probably the most valuable collection of such instruments in the world and has them insured for not less than $90,000. He has also nearly a hundred superb bows and is said to carry from twenty five to sixty with him on all his tours. They are all of course of the finest quality, many of them being inlaid with gold, pearl and other expensive ornaments. He seldom uses a bow more than three or four days and nights before it is discarded and sent to Paris to be re-haired. The duty he pays on the return of these articles is no trifling sum, but the eccentricities of genius must be gratified.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—239 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine, 4 bbls tar.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—295 bales cotton, 12 casks spirits turpentine, 28 bbls rosin, 27 bbls tar.

Carolina Central R. R.—6 bbls tar.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—37 bales cotton, 33 bbls rosin, 54 bbls tar.

Steamer E. A. Hawes—47 casks spirits turpentine, 200 bbls rosin, 27 bbls tar.

Steamer Driver—8 bales cotton, 9 casks spirits turpentine, 18 bbls rosin, 78 bbls tar.

Total receipts—Cotton, 509 bales; spirits turpentine, 66 casks; rosin, 279 bbls; tar, 191 bbls.

Improving the Streets.

A force of hands commenced yesterday laying shell on Third street from Dock to Red Cross. The work is under the personal supervision of Messrs. Parmele and Wallace, the contractors, and Mr. J. H McRee, civil engineer. Upon the completion of this work, Castle street from Front to Seventh, and Fourth street from Market to Ann will be shelled. The shelling of these streets will certainly improve the looks of the city, to say nothing of the comfort it will afford the pedestrian, bicyclist, etc. The shell used are obtained from Bald Head Island and Baltimore, Md.

Out of Danger.

Geo. Frank, the young colored boy who was accidentally shot by his playmate, E. J. Cashwell, colored, at Mr. Jno. F. Garrell's plantation, "San Souci," while fooling with a 32-calibre revolver is about out of danger. Dr. Bell, who has been attending Frank, informed a STAR representative yesterday that he had probed for the ball, but was unable to find it; from all indications he thought Frank would recover. Cashwell is still in the guard house awaiting the result of Frank's injury.

Magistrate's Court.

Carrie Franks and Henrietta Watson, two colored damsels, were before Justice Bunting yesterday, charged with larceny, but were adjudged not guilty and, therefore, discharged.

Jno. Pigford, colored, was before the same justice, charged with stealing fifty cents from Sarah Martin. He was committed to jail in default of fifty dollars bond to await the action of the Criminal Court.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

OPERA HOUSE.

Hamlet Played to a Well-Pleased Audience by James Young and Company—"David Garrick" to be Given To-Night by the same Troupe.

We have often heard it said that when the late Edwin Booth died "Hamlet" died, and for a time it seemed as if such was the case. For a long time this masterpiece of William Shakespeare lay as if dead, much to the sorrow of the classic, but in fact only waiting some master hand similar to Booth's, to awaken and let it begin life anew. At last there arose one, not "barn-stormer," jester or ignorant, but actor, who essayed this most difficult role, and last night a good-sized audience assembled at the Opera House to judge the merit of this young tragedian—James Young. The plot of the play and the history upon which it is based is too well known to need any description at this late day, and so a sketch of the players rather than the play would be more appropriate.

Mr. Young is to *Hamlet* what the elder Booth was to *Richard the Third* and what Jefferson is to *Rip Van Winkle*—its only true and loyal supporter. In attempting the portrayal of this character Mr. Young has made no mistake, having a good conception of the part, a sweet, appealing voice, which sounds well either in pathos, bitterness or dry humor, graceful gesture, easy movements, clear facial expressions and above all a good stage presence—what more could be said about any actor? Besides, Mr. Young looks the ideal *Hamlet* and there is no doubt he lives the character. Mr. Young is now only twenty-three years of age and we predict before many years he will be grasping the banner of which death deprived Edwin Booth.

Mr. Young's supporting company is also very creditable, especially Miss Louise Rida Johnson, as the beautiful *Ophelia*, her acting in the fourth act being of a high order, and to use a borrowed expression, which is perhaps not classical, "she would make a crazy woman ashamed of herself." Mr. Charles Pierson, as the pompous *Polonius*, and Mr. Charles Pierson, as *Laertes*, also deserve particular mention.

Manager Schloss has arranged with Mr. Young to play a special engagement at the Opera House to-night. The four-act comedy "David Garrick," a piece in which Mr. Young is said to be especially strong, will be presented. High class mirth is promised all who attend.

Seats may be obtained at Gerken's.

ABOUT THE WEATHER.

A Bitterly Cold Day—Minimum Temperature Twenty-two Degrees.

As a rule when a newspaper reporter writes about the weather there is good reason to believe that there is nothing else to write about. But it is not to be overlooked that the weather has its legitimate functions as a source of news, as there are times when it is so predominantly uppermost in people's minds that remarks about and upon it demand a place in print, just as properly as does an account of the discovery of an antediluvian fossil or of any other curiosity likely to prove of interest to the public. And yesterday was one of those times. It was cold weather for Wilmington. The thermometer at 6 o'clock registered 22 degrees, stood at the same at 11; and, if it was 30 in the afternoon, it was because there was something to pay with the mercury, and not because it was not still bitter cold.

To be sure, there has been much colder weather here. In fact, when one comes to think about it, if you were to reduce weather talk by that part of it which debates whether or not it has ever been colder, and when and where, the amount would be very materially diminished. But while it is freely admitted that the mercury has been known to go lower than it did yesterday, it is a question if there ever was a day when pedestrians' cheeks and noses were redder from cold.

Bitter cold accompanied by the same biting wind which seemed to heighten the cold here yesterday, was reported from points along all the railroad lines entering the city. Night before last at Mount Airy the wind arrived almost at the proportions of a blizzard, and the mercury dropped to within a few degrees of zero. There was a four-inch fall of snow at Mt. Airy and other points on the C. F. & Y. V., and the ground is covered just outside this city. There was snow also all the way from Norfolk here.

Oscar P. Sisson.

Next week Wilmington will welcome back one of her favorite actors, Oscar P. Sisson, who comes at the head of a comedy company to play a week's engagement. Mr. Sisson is well remembered here, having played two engagements with Mabel Paige in this city last season, and his *William A.* is also remembered with a keen sense of humor. The roaring comedy "The Colonel," will be presented Monday night as the opening bill, to be followed by a change of bill nightly. The repertoire of the company embraces new and up to date comedies.

Monday night every lady accompanied by a person holding a paid 30 cent ticket, will be admitted free. Tickets will be on sale at Gerken's to morrow morning.

Death of Mr. Elon. Shiver.

Mr. A. B. Shiver returned yesterday from Camden, S. C., where he was called to attend the funeral of his brother, Mr Zach. Shiver. Deceased was well known among railroad men in this city, having been at one time an engineer on one of the railroads entering the city, and his numerous friends here will be greatly pained to hear of his death.

At the time of his death he was engineer on the Ohio River & Charleston Railroad.

— The Superior Court will reconvene this morning at 10 o'clock. There was no session of the Court yesterday.

STATE LEGISLATURE.

YESTERDAY'S PROCEEDINGS IN THE SENATE AND HOUSE.

Bills Introduced to Punish Wife-Beaters—Concerning Liabilities of Railway and Steamship Companies—The Atlantic and N. C. Railway—To Charter the Carolina Cooperage Co. and the Commonwealth Insurance Co. of Wilmington.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, Jan. 28.—In the House a bill was introduced to punish wife-beaters, upon conviction, with thirty-nine lashes.

The bill to make railway and steamboat companies liable for any injury done to baggage or freight while under their control, and to make the same liable for a damage suit to a passenger who has paid fare, for failure of the railroad to make connection according to published schedule, was taken up. An amendment striking out all the provisions save that relating to baggage was adopted and the bill, as amended, passed.

A bill was introduced to allow Craven county commissioners to hold an election to build bridges across Trent and Neuse rivers, and if people favor the measure to allow the issue of twenty-five thousand dollars in bonds and levy a special tax to pay these, not to exceed fifteen cents on the hundred dollars.

A bill was introduced by Hancock, providing that when it appears to the Governor's satisfaction that the State's proxy or directors of the A. & N. C. railroad company have been unfaithful or negligent in the discharge of their duties, or have allowed any act to be done to impair the rights of the State as majority stockholders in it, the Governor shall forthwith remove such State proxy or directors and appoint others who shall immediately take office, call a meeting and elect a president of the road, to whom the books, etc., shall be turned over under penalty of not less than one thousand dollars fine or six months imprisonment, and if it becomes necessary, the Governor shall institute proceedings in each county through which the railway runs. Hancock says the purpose is to protect the State against change in the by-laws of the company.

Bills were tabled, to keep descriptions of all criminals, requiring corporations to file copies of their charters, allowing sheriffs to make tax titles, to change the age of working roads.

A bill was introduced by Pearson to incorporate the Commonwealth Fire Insurance Company of Wilmington.

The resolution requesting the Governor to secure for the Legislature the total salaries of railway, express, steamboat and telegraph company's officials by the 10th of February passed by a yea and nay vote—yeas, 55; nays, 24.

Bill to charter the Carolina Cooperage Company of Wilmington, and allow it to have branches at Fayetteville and other places, passed. The charter is a broad one, and some objections were made.

In the Senate bills were introduced:

To incorporate Boyette, Wilson county.

In favor of livery stable proprietors, giving them the right to hold stock until board is paid.

Bill to prohibit the use of free passes by public officials.

The Act of 1895, relating to divorce for two years desertion, was repealed and an amendment adopted, giving parties who have heretofore secured divorce under this act the right to marry again. This act applied to a special party in Wayne county. A motion to make it a general law was defeated after exhaustive discussion.

A New Corporation.

The necessary papers for the incorporation of the Jackson & Bell Company, of Wilmington, have been filed with the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Hanover county, and also (as is learned from the Raleigh *Press-Visitor*) in the office of the Secretary of State. The corporators named in the articles of agreement are Messrs. James W. Jackson and Benjamin Bell, present proprietors of the *Messenger*; George C. Jackson, James H. Chadbourn, Jr., and Nathaniel Jacobi. The articles show that the business of the corporation will be to publish a daily and weekly newspaper and carry on a general job printing business, including ruling and binding. The capital stock is $13,500 and stockholders are not liable beyond the amount of stock subscribed. The first meeting, for organization, is to be held the last Saturday in January.

Mr. D. G. Worth's Congratulations to President Alderman of the University.

At the inauguration exercises Wednesday, at Chapel Hill, the following telegram was read by Col. Thos. S. Kenan, of Raleigh:

BALTIMORE, MD., Jan. 27.—Dr. Edwin A. Alderman, Chapel Hill, N. C.—Success to you as the president of the greatest institution of learning in North Carolina. May the people never forget the constitutional obligation to support and sustain it and thus promote its prosperity through the ages.

D. G. WORTH.

Mr. Worth, it will be remembered, left this city not long since to go to Johns Hopkins hospital for treatment. He is an alumnus of the University and, as Col. Kenan stated on reading the telegram, has been loyal in his love and liberal in his gifts.

Wholesale Trade Brisk in Spite of the Cold.

Business was not at all paralyzed by the cold snap yesterday. There was quite a number of out-of-town merchants here visiting our wholesale establishments, a few of them being Mr. D. E Cox, Dothan; Mr. M. M. Hughes, Chadbourn; Mr. E. C. Herring, Garland; Mr. W. J. Prevatt, Lumberton; Mr. R. P. Homer, Homer, S. C.; Mr. J. A. Wootan, White Hall; Mr. J. C. Cottingham, Gallavon, S. C.

MINORITY POPULISTS

Issue an Address to the People of the State Denouncing Butler and His "Diabolical Schemes."

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 28.—To-night the minority Populist committee, known as the bolters, met and issued an address. It is of great length. In it they say: "The Populist caucus of the People's party of the General Assembly desires to present to the Populists of the State some facts and sentiments which are of great importance to our party. Our position on the Senatorial question is justified by every reasonable Populist, by every precedent in the party's past history, and the very existence of the party, we think, depends upon the policies and principles and persons we have the honor to represent. We have been so unjustly misrepresented and so basely villified, our motives and actions have been so wilely misconstrued by unscrupulous Democrats and by Butler-Populists, otherwise known as the majority, that we deem a few words necessary in order to allow truth to prevail. We are pioneer Populists and we allow no man to misinterpret our loyalty to our party, our principles and our State; but we regret to be compelled to say that some of our leaders are practicing the worst species of bossism that ever disgraced North Carolina, and we deem it our duty to protest against such tyranny." (The address then gives the proceedings of the first caucus of the Populists and all that occurred while the factions were in harmony.) The bolters then reiterate their pledges to support Senator Pritchard, and say they are willing to stand by the endorsement with their constituents. Continuing, the address says: "It is due quite a number of gentlemen who voted for Cyrus Thompson to say that they do not endorse this diabolical scheme of Senator Butler to drive out the best and brainiest Populists in the State from the party, nor do they subscribe to his effort to land Populists in the Democratic party. We hereby pledge ourselves that our conduct will be only such as becomes patriots and true Populists, and we invite the co-operation of all good Populists to secure for the State good government, and we will be glad to receive their support for any measure which will be for the good of the State."

Judge Norwood is expected here to-night. It is said he will tender his resignation.

Butler returns to Washington to-morrow.

Republicans will make a proposition to Populist members of the Legislature for a division of offices. If the majority fails to accept, the Republicans say they will act with those who will accept. There is no doubt about the Republicans and minority Populists acting together.

SALEM COLLEGE.

Annual Mid-Winter Concert—An Attractive Programme.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

WINSTON, N. C., Jan. 28.—The annual mid-Winter concert by pupils of Salem Female College was the attraction here to-night. The programme was an attractive one and in rendition fully sustained the reputation of the South's school. Vocal and instrumental music, elocution and other departments of the college were represented in the programme. Two hundred voices took part in the closing chorus. The concert will be repeated to-morrow night for the benefit of friends who could not attend to-night.

THE MAXTON GUARDS.

The Entertainment for the Benefit of This Fine Company a Great Success.

[*Maxton Scottish Chief.*]

The entertainment for the benefit of the Maxton Guards last Thursday night was a success every way. A delightful literary and musical programme formed the first part of the evening's pleasure. This was a miscellany in which the male quartette Messrs. J. S. McRae, G. B. Patterson, R. D. Croom and Gus McNair, with Mrs. J. H. Kinsey as accompanyist, took conspicuous parts. Misses Meddie Stewart and Irene Stalnaker delighted the audience with humorous recitations, both responding to ringing encores. Lieut. W. M. Jones delivered the address of welcome and Rev. Dr. H G Hill the address of the evening on the Life and Work of Gen. Robert E. Lee. Many of his hearers say it was the finest address they have heard him make.

The Stranded British Steamer.

A dispatch from Southport to the STAR yesterday evening in regard to the British steamer *Ardrishaig*, stranded on Frying-Pan shoals, near the mouth of Cape Fear river, says:

"Tugs Jones and Blanche went to the steamship *Ardrishaig* again this morning, but to-day's tide was not high enough for the tugs to pull on the steamer. This afternoon about thirty hands went to lighten the steamer, and the tugs will pull on her at to-night's high tide. The steamer is reported to be lying easy and in good condition. The sea where she lies is moderate, but high on the western side of the shoals."

Dublin Boys With the A. C. L.

Warsaw correspondent of Clinton *Democrat*:

Our esteemed townsman, Mr. Ernest Hussey, recently accepted and entered upon the duties of stenographer in the Traffic Department of the Atlantic Coast Line at Wilmington. We wish him all the success that his intelligence and straightforwardness merit. His brother, Nick, is in the same department, and we are pleased to hear has been promoted.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our "Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cents.

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

THE MORNING STAR.

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Do you want a paper that prints the latest telegraphic news, the best local news, reliable market reports, excellent short stories, and the choicest miscellaneous matter? If so, subscribe to THE MORNING STAR.

Do not forget that THE MORNING STAR is the cheapest daily of its class in North Carolina. Its price is $5.00, while the published price of others ranges from $7.00 to $8.00.

JERSEY EDITORS.

Two Hundred of Them Coming on a Special Train.

[*Charlotte Observer.*]

Mr. Frank A. Heywood, editor of the *Southern Progress*, Woodbury, N. J., is in the city to announce a visit to Charlotte of 200 New Jersey editors, who will come on a special train tendered them by the Seaboard Air Line, March 31st.

Mr. Heywood organized the parties of New England editors who visited Virginia in 1890 and who, with their friends, afterwards invested $2 000 000 there. He also secured the enormous investments recently made in Florida, Virginia and Georgia by D. L. Risley, the millionaire town-builder, of Philadelphia.

The editors will visit Norfolk, Portsmouth, Charlotte, Southern Pines and Raleigh, coming to Charlotte direct from Portsmouth.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

OPERA HOUSE.
TO NIGHT
America's representative actor,
JAMES YOUNG,
IN THE FOUR ACT COMEDY,
David Garrick.
Seats can be obtained at Gerken's.
jan 29 1t

OPERA HOUSE,
ONE WEEK.
Commencing Monday, Feb. 1st.
Matinee Wednesday and Saturday.
Oscar P. Sisson's Comedy Co.
Monday Night, The Colonel.
Change of play nightly.
Reserved seats at Gerken's. Popular Prices—10, 20 and 30 cents.
Ladies admitted free Monday night when accompanied by a paid 30 cents ticket.
jan 29 3t

"Never Touched Me,"
Said the Genuine "PYXIS" Toilet Cream to the Imitation, and you never will. Still you are the quaere X form of flattery. There is but one,
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The Morning Star.

By WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, JAN. 29, 1897

THEIR HANDS ARE TIED.

The Republicans have abandoned all hope of being able to count more than 44 straight Republican votes in the next Senate, while the Democrats, Silver Republicans and Populists will have 46. This practically ties their hands on any strictly partisan legislation, and will put them on their good behavior. It also leads to speculation as to what they may be able to accomplish, or whether they will be able to accomplish anything. They have hopes, however, of being able to pass a tariff bill with the aid of the votes of silver Republicans, who are protectionists but broke with the party on the silver question, but it remains to be seen how many of these votes they can secure without making important concessions to silver that they would not make if they were a little more independently situated and were not dependent upon these votes to carry a tariff bill through.

As the situation presents itself now and doubtless will when the next Senate meets the silver men will control it. The silver Republicans and Populists will hold the balance of power, and can prevent any legislation they are united in preventiog. It was given out some time ago that the Republican silver Senators had decided upon the policy of blocking the way to any tariff legislation that did not carry with it as a condition of their support such concessions to silver as they might demand, and this is doubtless what spurred up the movement for an international monetary congress; but other considerations may cause a departure from this plan if that was the intention.

It is reported that some of the silver Senators think that the best thing for silver would be to let a tariff bill go through, because they hold that this will not bring prosperity, and the failure to bring prosperity will help the cause of silver. This is the opinion of Senator Faulkner, whom the Washington correspondent of the Baltimore *Sun* quotes thus:

"I believe they will be able to pass their tariff bill. Of the silver Republicans and Populists who aided in the Democratic campaign last Fall, at least four of them are protectionists. Senators Teller, Stewart, Pettigrew and Jones are likely to vote for a tariff bill, in my opinion, both because their inclinations and opinions are in favor of protection, and also because they believe that the only manner in which the need of monetary reform in this country can be thoroughly demonstrated is by permitting the passage of a protective measure which will fail to improve conditions or to relieve distress. For this reason I anticipate the passage of a tariff bill, but am satisfied that upon no other question of partisan legislation will they be able to secure assistance from either the Populists or the silver Republicans. On a strict party vote there will be 46 votes opposed to the 44 of the Republicans."

This is also the opinion of Senator Allen, Populist, whom the same correspondent quotes as follows:

"We will have at least seven Populist Senators and will hold the balance of power. This I regard as one of the fortunate circumstances arising from the situation. I do not know what the Republicans expect to do to secure the passage of their tariff bill, but I presume they will be able to get votes enough. The opposition to their measure will be strong enough, however, to insist upon the passage of a reasonable bill."

Senator Faulkner and Senator Allen may be right, but as we see it these silver Senators do a very foolish thing if they surrender the vantage ground they hold without gaining something substantial for silver while they are in a position to make demands and force concessions. Having trained with the protectionists as long as they did, they may believe in protection, but the States which they represent will not quarrel with them if they refuse to vote for it and make it subordinate to silver.

And then they take the chances, too, of an improvement in business which may and is likely to come whether there is a new tariff law or not, for the money that is locked up in the East must go out to find investment somewhere, and if we have a new tariff it will be claimed by the protectionists that this is the result of it and that will operate against silver.

How quick they were to attribute the little spurt that was made just after the election, the increase of deposits, etc., in the banks to the "restoration of confidence" resulting from the defeat of free silver and Bryan. They couldn't pipe on that key long, because the spurt was soon over, the "confidence" theory didn't hold, for the reaction soon came and things got worse instead of better. But it shows how quick they were to claim the improvement as a result of their victory, and indicates how quickly they would claim any improvement in the future as the result of the new tariff, if they succeed in getting it through.

There are now locked up in the vaults of the banks of the country, especially in the banks of the Eastern money centers, hundreds of millions of dollars, much of which they would like to put out where they thought it would be safe at a very low rate of interest. It is earning nothing now, and the men who own it recognize the necessity of doing something that will take it out of their vaults and make it earn something. They will be forced to do this, not only as a matter of business, but to quiet the demand for more banks and for a change in the banking system that might give them less of a monopoly of the volume of currency than they now have.

If there should be a change in the banking system, resulting in the establishment of more banks and a better distribution of the currency, this would bring about an improvement in the business conditions, and if with this we had the new tariff the protectionists would claim it all as the result of the new tariff and would contend that prosperity had come with the tariff and cite that as a proof of their predictions and of the error of the silver men who insisted that we could have no prosperity without free silver. It, therefore, seems to us that the silver Republicans who vote for protection, without concessions to silver, will do a foolish thing and surrender the vantage ground they hold for bringing the protectionists to terms. They may never have such another opportunity to make their power felt.

MINOR MENTION.

New York had hardly got through with discussing the scandalous Seeley dinner, when it was treated to some pulpit dissertations on the sinful extravagance of the rich as illustrated by a little sociable given by Mrs. Bradley-Martin, who, it seems, has "money to burn." There was nothing in this sociable to shock the sense of the proprieties of well regulated society, but the objection is that the people who thus use their money would put it to a much more commendable and proper use by providing for the needs of the poor and relieving distress, so much of which is now seen in all our large cities. As an illustrtion of how Mrs. Bradley-Martin let her money fly to show up in style, which subjected her to the clerical criticism referred to, a New York paper furnishes the following estimated items:

The new ball-room at the Waldorf for night	$1,000
Small ball-room at Waldorf, where Mrs. Martin will receive	500
Reception room adjoining small ball-room, where buffet supper will be served	250
Men's big cafe, where regular supper will be served	500
State apartments, second floor of Waldorf, to be used for dressing rooms	1,000
Buffet supper during entire night	6,000
Regular supper, from 12 30 a. m. until 5 a. m.	12,600
Fifty servitors' costumes, including trumpeters	1 500
Three orchestras	1 000
Cotillon favors	20 000
Superb floral decorations for ball	15,000
Engraving notes of invitation.	150
Issuing invitations	25
There will be at least 400 carriages hired from livery stables by those who do not care to take out their own teams—$7 each	2,800
Fees to 400 public drivers—$1 each	400
Six hundred men's costumes—$75 each	45 000
Six hundred women's costumes	120 000
Fancy slippers for women	3 000
Wig makers and hair-dressers.	6 000
Cosmetics	500
Grand total	$336,625

This is pretty steep for one night's entertainment, but it doesn't quite come up to the social layout given by Mrs. Vanderbilt several years ago, which cost $250,000. Mrs. V. was at that time criticised, as Mr. B.-M. is now, but she defended her lavish outlay by showing that most of it went to the benefit of people who were dependent upon their labor for their earnings. It does seem to jar somewhat on the sense of the proprieties to see these high carnivals within sight of the abodes of suffering and starvation, but until mortals are made in a different mould there are those who will feast, if they can, although others starve, and while this is so it is better that they feast, and dance and make merry, and thus turn their money loose to help the toilers, rather than keep it locked up in their strong boxes or convert it into jewels. There are two sides to a question like this, and the extravagance that seems sinful may be more to be commended than condemned, as long as pride and fashion rule, and they open the vaults that charity in its own garb couldn't reach.

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A special telegram to the STAR from Raleigh, published yesterday, contains a notice of "dissolution of partnership" between the regular Populists who were in with Butler in the anti Pritchard racket and the Republicans, which comes in the shape of a resolution adopted by the Pop. caucus declaring all further negotions off, and all compacts heretofore in force null and void, for the reason that the reason that the triumphant Republicans had treated the overtures made with silent contempt. This piling up of insult on injury was more than the Butler contingent could stand in their present state of chagrin and therefore they became individually and collectively as mad as hornets, and gave vent to their indignation in the caucus resolution published in the special, and more fully in the address issued, the substance of which our correspondent gives us The Republicans were placed in an embarrassing position, which may account for their failure to respond to the overtures of the Butlerites, for they were put in such a shape that they could not be affirmatively met without going back on the Skinner contingent which stuck by Pritchard and made his election sure, so that the circumstances required them to play mum, although they would doubtless have, if Harry's contingent had been out of the way, met the proposition in a truly fraternal, spoils-grabbing spirit. In the address the Bullerites condemn and denounce fusion, and yet three of the concoctors and fulminators of that address—Butler, Thompson and Ayer—are reaping the fruits of fusion which made them what they are and put them in a position to play big "Injun" in the wigwam and scare those who are not willing to sacrifice themselves for "principle, party and country." To an outsider this is a big streak of the ludicrous running through this eleventh hour discovery of the demoralizing effects of "fusion," while the discovers continue to suck the sacharine sap and enjoy the jucy fruits of the thing they denounce.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— The men who would rather pay $100 a year for shoeing horses and repairing wagons than $10 a year for a good road tax are still in the majority in many sections.—*Phil. Ledger, Ind.*

—— Mr. Foraker cannot be too careful with his Legislature. Mr. Hanna's success in bagging Southern delegates indicates that he is a dangerous man when he prowls about the legislative hen roost.—*Wash. Post, Ind.*

—— Two things are mightily puzzling the tariff makers at Washington: First, how to construct a tariff which shall suitably increase the revenue and at the same time satisfy the Trusts; second, how to prevent the importation of foreign steffs on which duties shall have been increased so as to anticipate and escape payment. Any practicable solution of these difficulties would be most thankfully received by Chairman Dingley.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

——We are really surprised at the generosity of President Haas of the Sloss iron and steel company of Birmingham, Ala. He says: 'Remove the duty altogether and the Southern iron can take care of itself the world over. We have established a solid export trade, the proportions of which are hampered only by the lack of ship room.' The same thing is true of other protected industries, but men engaged in them want the privilege of extorting extra pay from the American people and the American people have voted to let them do so. On with the new tariff.—*Indianapolis Sentinel, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

—" I Suppose every profession has its own peculiar disease, doctor? What is the writer's hard cramp?" No—financia?—*Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.*

— Marie—Proposals should never be made by letter, anyhow.

Ne tie—Did you ever hear of one that was declined simply on that account?—*Truth.*

— Mother—'You don't know how you worry me, dear; why, my hair is turning gray!"

Florrie—"My, how you must have worried grandma; her hair is all white!"—*Household Words.*

— Etiquette Beyond the Styx.—The Sage from Boston—Solomon? Well, well! I'm proud to meet the wisest of men.

Solomon—After you, sir.—*Puck.*

— Little Brother—"I love to have you come to see sister, Mr. Tomkins."

"Why Dickie?"

"Cause she never likes that candy you bring her, an' gives it to me."—*Chicago Record.*

— She—She is doing her best to fascinate that widower. Of course he has considerable means.

He—Perhaps she thinks the means justify the end.—*Puck.*

— Why does Mrs. Wildgirl call her last husband the cypher? Doesn't he count at all in his home?"

"Oh, yes; it's because he's so naughty."—*Cincinnati Tribune*

— His Satanic Majesty—What is that terrible odor?

The Attendant—It's that last man from New York. He had a Sunday paper in his pocket.—*Truth.*

— At the play. She—there's a blunder! Six months are supposed to elapse between the first and second acts. He—Well? She—They have the same cast.—*Puck*

QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

Rev. R. C. Beaman, recently appointed by the North Carolina Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, South, Presiding Elder of the Wilmington District, has made his appointments for the first round, as follows:

Wilmington, at Market Street, January 31

Wilmington, Bladen Street (night) January 31.

Bureaw circuit, at Rocky Point, February 6, 7.

Clinton circuit, at Keeners, February 13 14.

Jacksonville and Richlands, at Jacksonville, February 20, 21.

Elizabeth circuit, at Elizabethtown, February 27 28.

Kenansville circuit, at Kenansville, March 6, 7.

Oaslow circuit, at Queen's Creek, March 13 14.

Brunswick circuit, at Concord, March 20, 21.

Columbus circuit, Evergreen, March 27, 28.

Whiteville and Fair Bluff, Whiteville (night), March 28.

Waccamaw circuit, Shiloh, March 30.

Magnolia circuit, Magnolia, April 3, 4.

Bladen circuit, at Bethlehem, April 10, 11.

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The Grandest Remedy.

Mr. R B. Greeve, merchant, of Chilhowie, Va., certifies that he had consumption was given up to die, sought all medical treatment that money could procure, tried all cough remedies he could hear of, but got no relief, spent many nights sitting up in a chair; was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery and was cured by use of two bottles. For past three years has been attending to business, and says Dr. King's New Discovery is the grandest remedy ever made, as it has done so much for him and also for others in his community. Dr. King's New Discovery is guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and Consumption. It don't fail. Trial bottles free at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. †

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: The recent term of the Criminal Court was the heaviest week's term in the county's history; there were 121 cases on the docket. The Solicitor's fees alone amounted to nearly ninety dollars.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Mrs. Martha Allen, one of the oldest residents of the city, died Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock at the residence of Rev. Alvin Betts. ——Mr. W. A. Gattis, son of Mr. J. T. Gattis, of this city, died Saturday morning at his home at Evans, Chatham county, in his 29th year.

— Burlington *News*: On last Friday evening at 2 o'clock Col. Armstrong Tate died at his home very suddenly. He had been sick only a short time, and the news of his death was a surprise to all. —— Stanley Cole, a 77 year old resident of Snow Camp community, while attempting to stand on two chairs, one upon the other, to regulate a clock, fell to the floor, badly fracturing a hip bone.

— Charlotte *News*: Mayor Weddington this morning tried the gang of boys arrested for rocking each other near the coal chute. George McKinney and Nora Williams were sent to jail. Three of the boys were ordered to be given a good whipping and then released. The father of one of the boys whipped him publicly and the chief of police laid the lash on the other boys' backs. The crowd that watched the operation was greatly interested.

— Asheville *Citizen*: A large number of colored citizens met at the Young Men's institute last evening to discuss the dispensary question. Pastor Minter, of the First Baptist Church, and Pastor Morehead, of the M. E. Church, discussed together with others the resolution introduced at a recent meeting of the institute by Thos. L. Leatherwood, favoring the dispensary system The resolution was passed unanimously.

— Goldsboro *Headlight*: The sudden death of Mrs. Thomas Pearson occurred of a congestive chill at her home in Fork township, Sunday night. ——The sad intelligence reached this city, Thursday, of the burning to death of the 3½ year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. James P. McDonald, in the Eureka section, during the temporary absence of its mother. It is presumed that the little one was playing in the fire and thereby had its clothing ignited. When the mother returned, the child was found slowly roasting to death.

— Charlotte *Observer*: Mr. Jos. F. Woodsides, a well known citizen of Huntersville, passed away Monday night. He was 70 years of age. —— Mrs. Octa Ritch, wife of Mr. C. W. Ritch, of Newell, died Monday night. —— On December 4th one A. F. F. Perry brutally murdered a man in Elizabethtown, Bladen county, and escaped, and yesterday Detective Michael Sullivan wrote that he had captured Perry in Tuscaloosa, Ala, the place where he shadowed him to from North Carolina. Two hundred dollars' reward was offered for Perry's capture.

Ringing noises in the ears, snapping, buzzing, roaring, caused by catarrh, all disappear with the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla. †

HE HAD A SINECURE.

But Somehow the Man Did Not Seem to Wholly Realize It.

"It beats all," exclaimed Mrs. Clovertop, who had just returned from a visit to the city. "It beats all how some folks git along in this world! There's Harry Stavers, for instance. You know Harry. When he was to home here, he never was no good at real work. He'd go dawdlin about all day long starin into a book, and when he wasn't readin he'd be scribblin stuff for the papers and magazines. I never saw the like of him, and I always said he'd never amount to nothin.

"But, law! It does seem as though the lazier and the good for notin'er some folks are the easier they slide through the world. When I was in the city, I called on Harry. I always kinder liked Harry in spite of his shiftlessness. Well, what do you think! Harry's editor of a paper down there and they do say he gets pretty good wages too.

"But, for my part, I can't see how folks can pay a man for doin jest nothin at all.

"Harry has a nice room full o' books and things and a big desk with a big krinkly kiver that shuts up as cute as you please when he ain't usin it, and there he sets all day, as grand as a lord, receivin callers.

"Folks are all the time comin in to tell him what's goin on, and they tell him what side to take on all kind o' questions, and what ought to go into the paper and what ought'n't; and, more than that, they bring in stuff already written—enough in one day, sometimes, to fill his paper for a week.

"And they tell him jest how to run his paper. So you see he don't have to bother his head a bit about it.

"I never did see such luck. I told Harry he ought to bless his stars, for I never did see anybody who got a livin half so easy.

"Harry jest smiled and said, 'Think so, Mrs. Clovertop' jest in his quiet way, you know. 'Think so!' said I. 'Well, I should think I did.'

"But, do you know, I don't b'lieve he half appreciates his good fortune. Some folks, you know, never are satisfied."—Boston Transcript.

Life on Tristan d'Acunha.

The governor of St. Helena gives an account in his last report of a visit which he lately paid to Tristan d'Acunha. This little island lies about 1,500 miles almost due south of St. Helena and about the same distance west of the cape of Good Hope. The governor found the 61 inhabitants, consisting of 18 adult males and 23 females and 20 children, under the control of the aged Peter W. Green, in excellent health, and desiring the help of the chaplain rather than of the doctor of the ship. The climate is an admirable one and the general condition of the inhabitants leaves little to be desired from a material point of view. The live stock consists of 600 cattle, 500 sheep, a few pigs and donkeys, some poultry and a large number of geese. The settlement consists of stone built cottages scattered over a common, lying at the foot of the precipitous and lofty mountain. The inhabitants are total abstainers, and they certainly form, says Governor Wilson, a strong argument in favor of teetotalism. Occasional expeditions are made in open boats to Inaccessible Island, 20 miles distant, for seals, which they rely on for their lights.—London News.

His Acquisitions.

"Well, they may say what they please about Blank, but they'll have to admit that he is a shrewd man."

"Why so?"

"Why, look at the money he has accumulated. Isn't that sufficient proof?"

"It depends upon what you call shrewdness. Blank got his money by a judicious venture in the line of matrimony."

"Um—ah—well, shrewdness and nerve are often closely allied! I may have mistaken one for the other."—Chicago Post.

Dissatisfied.

"I wish to exchange this thermometer for a good one," she said to the salesman.

"Certainly. What is wrong with it?"

"The woman who lives next door to me bought a thermometer and paid less for it than this one cost. But it registered seven degrees more than mine did yesterday afternoon."—Washington Star.

ABOUT RINGS.

They Are Circles of Sentiment With Historics Centuries Old.

Old as sentiment itself is the ring. Among the Italians of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries it was customary for women to give to their lovers rings which contained their portraits. Those rings were in the forms of two clasped hands, in which a hidden spring concealed the picture.

Another quaint custom of the long ago was that of breaking a ring for betrothal. Such rings were fashioned for the purpose, being made of two twin circles and were called gimmal rings, from the word gemelli, meaning twins.

A ring of pure gold she from her finger took,
And just in the middle the same there she broke.
Quoth she, "As a token of love you this take,
And this as a pledge I will keep for your sake."

The gimmal was also a favorite wedding ring for many years Dryden thus describes it in "Don Sebastian:"

A curious artist wrought 'em,
With joints so close as not to be perceived,
Yet are they both each other's counterpart,
Her part had Juan inscribed and his had Zayda.

In the modern fondness for rings is seen a survival of the barbaric love of display, of superstition and of sentiment. The habit of loading the fingers with jewels, which Seneca condemned in his day, saying, "Our fingers are loaded with rings, each joint is adorned with precious stone," is still in favor with a class in whom the barbaric instinct is not yet exterminated, while many a modern belle would like to wear, as did the Empresses Faustina and Domitia, rings which cost $200,000 and $300,000. And she does often wear, as did her Roman prototype, "sardonyxese, jaspers and emeralds on the joints of her fingers."

Such displays deserve the condemnation of a modern Seneca, but for the rings worn in conscious or unconscious recognition of some quaint old superstition or tender sentiment there should be only benediction.

Such rings are found upon the fingers of women wedded to the church and of women wedded to the men they love. They shine upon the brawny hand of toil and glitter upon the rosy digits of the little child. They sparkle beneath the glowing eyes of radiant maidenhood and reflect before many a sacred shrine the "light that never was on land or sea." They hold "gems of purest ray serene" for many fond and loving hearts, and while human loves remain they will continue to be among affection's most sacred symbols.—Philadelphia Times.

A Courteous Chief Justice.

A young lady spending a rainy evening at the house of an old gentleman wanted a cab to take her home. Her host started off to fetch the cab. "Do let the maid go," she said. "My dear, the maid is also a woman," was the grave reply.

The man was the late George Higinbotham, chief justice of Victoria. His courtesy toward women was regardless of rank or personal attractiveness. He would take off his hat to his cook and bow as graciously as though she were a duchess.

A man was trying to lead a heavy draft horse along the street. The animal refused to be led, and then the man made several ineffectual attempts to mount the refractory creature. At that moment the chief justice came along, and seeing the man's difficulty extended his hand—as a mounting block.

The man put his foot in the hand and mounted upon the horse's back. The chief justice passed on quietly, but to an observer the kindly deed recalled the words of the Master, "Whosoever will be chief among you let him be your servant."

His courtesy made his manners good, but it did not soften his sense of justice. A lawyer tells this anecdote:

"I had once to appear before him in chambers on behalf of a charming client who had some property, but would not pay her debts. The case was heard in his own room, and he was courtesy itself. He stood when she entered. I think she dropped her handkerchief, and he left his seat to pick it up. Nothing could be gentler than his manner, and I was congratulating myself on an easy victory, but when the facts were heard the decision came that my client must pay or spend six months in prison."—Youth's Companion.

Muscular Christians.

Muscular Christians not only arrested a tendency toward effeminacy which probably would in any case have been evanescent, but they brought back to Christianity entire classes, and especially a large class of English gentlemen, who, in their disgust at tendencies wholly alien to their temperaments, had begun to think whether a little infusion of "manly heathenism" would not be good for the community. They maintained that piety and joyousness were not inconsistent; that David with his overvigorous life was a better man than Saul with his melancholia; that the life of the sea and the field and the mine was as good as the life of the parsonage; that there was other Christian work than preaching in season and out of season; that, in short, it was possible to lead the life of an average English gentleman or workman and be a good Christian too.

Some of them went too far in their recoil, as appeared when the controversy over Governor Eyre divided all England, but in the main their ideas acted as a brisk breeze sets upon a sultry day, clearing away the haze, restoring health to the sickly and vigor to the exhausted. Of this movement Hughes was not the soul, for F. D. Maurice, with his saintliness and his sense, must be called that, but he was in a way its life blood—he so visibly lived the whole doctrine, lived it heartily and enjoyingly long after the force of the movement had spent itself from the absence of resistance. It had suited his inner nature, all his convictions, all his inherited prejudices, all his ideas of the work he wanted to do in the world, and he loved it heartily.—London Spectator.

Where Is the Center of the Universe?

The city of London is said to be the center of the land hemisphere of our globe. In other words, it is claimed that a radius of 6,000 miles on the curved surface of the earth would describe a circumference inclosing more land, from London as a center, than from any other city on the planet.

Several other places have been claimed as the "axis of the globe," C. Piazzi Smith, the famous "pyramid astronomer," endeavoring to prove that the great pyramid is situated on the center spot of the land surface. (See "Equal Surface Projection," by C. Piazzi Smith, edition of 1870, page 23.)

In ancient times it was claimed that the temple of Delphi stood on the "navel of the universe."

Several of the petty oriental kingdoms have at different times laid claims to being "the universal center," and at one time the Chinese claimed that the celebrated "porcelain pagoda" was the center around which the sun, moon and stars revolved.—St. Louis Republic.

The Hat Game.

The "hat" is a simple and lively game. The players are divided, as for clumps, into two opposing parties. They sit in two half circles at the same distance around a hat, which is placed on the floor in the center of them. Two differently colored packs of cards are then given, one to each party, and by them equally dealt out to each player. The players try to throw the cards into the hat in the center. This is by no means easy. The cards have a way of flying over it or around it, in a provoking way, even when thrown by good players. The floor is soon littered with failures. The game is played till both packs are exhausted; then those cards which have fallen into the hat are counted, and the side which has the most of its own color in the hat wins the game.

Perpetuating the Species.

There is a stringent law in Japan that when one camphor laurel is cut down another must be planted in its place. The tree is hardy and long lived, attaining to an enormous size. It is covered with a small leaf of a vivid green color. The seed, or berries, grow in clusters, resembling the black currants in size and appearance. And the wood is employed for every purpose, from cabinet making to shipbuilding.

A man, says a statistician, smoking a pipe of medium size blows out of his mouth for every time he fills the pipe 700 smoke clouds. If he smokes four pipes a day for 20 years, he blows out 20,440,000 smoke clouds.

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— Winston *Sentinel*: Mr. A. J. Mosetz, a well known citizen of Ashe county, was standing in a blacksmith shop Saturday when a piece of hot iron, which was being shaped on an anvil, flew into his eye, bursting the lense. Since then he has undergone great suffering. He went to Raleigh yesterday to have the eye removed.

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BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	6
Standard		@	6¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@	14
Sides ℔ ℔	6	@	7
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	@	6¾
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	4½@		5
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	4½
BARRELS— pitch Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 00	@	1 10
New New York, each	1 30	@	1 40
New City, each	1 30	@	1 40
BEES WAX ℔ ℔	30	@	34
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	6 50	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	15	@	
Northern	23	@	
CORN MEAL—			
Per Bushel, in sacks	40	@	42½
Virginia Meal	40	@	42½
COTTON TIES— ℔ bundle		@	1 00
CANDLES— ℔ ℔			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	9	@	10
CHEESE— ℔ ℔			
Northern Factory	10	@	11
Dairy, Cream	11	@	12
State		@	10
COFFEE— ℔ ℔			
Laguyra	20	@	
Rio	10	@	16
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4 ℔ yard		@	5¾
Yarns ℔ bunch	18	@	20
EGGS— ℔ dozen		@	10
FISH—			
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	23 00
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ half-barrel	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No 2 ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ half-barrel	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 00	@	3 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 75	@	6 50
N. C. Roe herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	5 50
" extra	3 25	@	3 50
FLOUR— ℔ barrel—			
Low grade		@	3 75
Choice		@	4 50
Straight	3 90	@	5 25
First Patent	5 50	@	5 75
GLUE— ℔ ℔	7½@		8½
GRAIN— ℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bags—White,	45½@		45
Corn, a go, in bulk—White,	40	@	43½
Corn, cargo, in bags—White,	40	@	43½
Oats, from store	30	@	35
Oats, Rust Proof	40	@	45
Cow peas	45	@	50
HIDES, ℔ ℔—			
Green		@	6
Dry		@	8
HAY, ℔ 100 ℔—			
Eastern		@	1 05
Western		@	90
North River		@	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	5	@	5½
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Cotton	5½@		6½
North Carolina	6	@	10
LIME ℔ barrel		@	1 25
LUMBER (Rough sawed) ℔ M feet—			
Ship Stuff resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough-dge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—			
New Crop Cuba, in hhds		@	22
" " in bbls		@	28
Porto Rico, in hhds	27	@	30
" in bbls		@	32
Sugar-House, in hhds	19	@	14
" in bbls	14	@	16
Syrup, in bbls	13	@	
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut 60d basis		@	2 00
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess	9 00	@	9 25
Rump		@	9 75
Prime		@	8 75
ROPE ℔ ℔	10	@	22
SALT, ℔ sack Alum		@	75
Liverpool		@	60
Lisbon		@	
Asks land		@	65
Ons lb ℔ Sacks	40	@	45
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ℔ M	3 00	@	4 50
Common	1 91	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Granul'd		@	5¾
Standard A		@	4¾
White Ex C		@	4¾
Ex C Golden	4	@	4¾
C Yellow		@	4¼
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	5½@		6
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	8 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50	@	6 00
Common Mill	4 00	@	5 00
Inferior to Ordinary		@	3 00
TALLOW, ℔ ℔	4	@	4½
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon—Northern	1 20	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 20	@	2 00

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, January 28.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market opened firm at 25½ cents per gallon for machine made casks, and 24½ cents for country casks, and closed dull at 25½@25½c.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1 45 per bbl for Strained and $1 50 for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market steady at 95 cents per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Quiet. Hard 1.80, Soft 1 80 per barrel.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine 27½@27c; rosin, strained $1 35; good strained $1 40; tar $0 95; crude turpentine $1 80, 1 90.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	66
Rosin	279
Tar	191
Crude Turpentine	00

Receipts same day last year—95 casks spirits turpentine, 934 bbls rosin, 351 bbls tar, 00 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 6¾c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4¾	cts ℔ lb
Good Ordinary	5¾	" "
Low Middling	6¾	" "
Middling	6¾	" "
Good Middling	6 9-16	" "

Same day last year, middling 7¾c.

Receipts—509 bales; same day last year, 895.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 40@50c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 55c; Fancy, 60@65c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 60@65c; Fancy, 65@70c.

CORN—Firm; 38 to 40 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—65@70 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 8 to 11½c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, heart and saps, $1 60 to 2 25; six inch, $2 50 to 3 50; seven inch, $3 50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.00 to 7.50 per M.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, January 28—Evening.—Money on call was easy at 1½@2 per cent; last loan at 1½ per cent closing offered at 1¾ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3@3½ per cent. Sterling exchange was higher, with actual business in bankers bills were at 485 for sixty days; and 487 for demand Commercial bills 483½@484¼. Government bonds were strong, United States coupon fours 119¼; United States twos 96; State bonds quiet; North Carolina fours 103; North Carolina sixes 122. Railroad bonds higher.

Silver at the Stock Exchange to day was firm.

COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, January 28—Evening.—Cotton quiet; middling 7 5 16c.

Cotton futures closed quiet and steady. January 7 02, February 7 00, March 7 04, April 7 10, May 7 17, June 7 23, July 7 26, August 7 26, September 6 90, October 6 78, November 6 78, December 6

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Robed for the trip in her little white gown.
Sheltered and safe and snug and warm,
Cuddled up close in her mamma's arm,
She's on the way to Winkum.

Gazing about so baby wise,
Now she closes her winsome eyes.
What cares she if the winds do blow,
Or that the ground is covered with snow?
She's passed the place called Blinktum.

Over the fields where the poppies grow,
As mamma rocks her to and fro,
Her rosy pink lids are freighted down
With sleepy seed by fairies sown,
Within the gates of Shut Eye town.
—Belle Lowe Stathem.

METEORS THAT REACH THE EARTH.

These Strange Visitors From Space Are Alike In Their Nature.

All of you have been out of doors on a cloudless evening and have seen a star apparently fall from its place in the sky and glide in a long line of light toward the horizon.

Perhaps you have wondered, as I used to do, how long it would be before the stars would all be gone from the sky, since one fell so often. I did not then know, what I have learned since, that "shooting stars" are not true stars at all, but only bodies which appear for an instant and then disappear forever. Let us call them meteors, and thus avoid confounding them with real stars, for the real stars are as enduring as anything in the universe.

In common speech, however, the term meteors is largely confined to those shooting stars which are very large and bright and are seen only now and then. Since they do not, however, differ from the shooting stars in any important respect, so far as we know, most of the learned scholars who make a study of such subjects consider them the same.

Now, if meteors never came any nearer the earth than do those which we so often see, we should know nothing more about them than what we could learn from their light, and that would be very little.

But it sometimes happens that one of them can be seen to come directly down to the earth. It makes a bright light as it falls, sometimes so intense as to outshine the sun when that is in the sky. Sometimes the meteor carries with it a cloud of smoke and falls with a hissing, sputtering noise, throwing out showers of sparks as it descends. Usually, too, loud reports are heard as it passes through the air, as if aerial armies were cannonading one another, and as the sound of the conflict dies away long rolls of echoing thunder shake the earth.

When the astonished people thereabout have recovered from their fright and hasten to the spot where the meteor struck the earth, they sometimes find buried in the soil—if the soil has any depth—a piece of stone or metal, often no larger than a hen's egg, but somtimes big enough to be of several hundred pounds weight.

It is usually still hot if picked up very soon after its fall, and its surface will be found to be covered by a thin crust, or varnish, made by the melting and flowing of its outside. This crust on the stones is usually black, while the interior is light gray in color; on the pieces of metal it is of a rusty brown color and the interior of the mass nickel white. The surface of these bodies can be seen, too, to be indented by little pits or hollows which look for all the world as if the mass had once been soft as a piece of putty and some one had pressed it with his thumb in many places. —Oliver C. Farrington in St. Nicholas.

Where Ships' Sails Sometimes Sing.

Some curious facts have been noted with regard to the sound conducting qualities of ships' sails. When rendered concave by a gentle breeze, the widespread sails of a ship are said to be excellent conductors of sound.

A ship was once sailing along the coast of Brazil, far out of sight of land. Suddenly several of the crew, while walking along the deck, noticed that when passing and repassing a particular spot they always heard with great distinctness the sound of bells chiming sweet music, as though being rung but a short distance away.

Dumfounded by this phenomenon they quickly communicated the discovery to their shipmates, but none of them was able to solve the enigma as to the origin of these seemingly mysterious sounds which came to them across the water.

Months afterward, upon returning to Brazil, the crew determined to satisfy their curiosity. Accordingly they mentioned the circumstance to their friends and were informed that at the time when the sounds were heard the bells in the cathedral of San Salvador, on the coast, had been ringing to celebrate a feast held in honor of one of the saints.

Their sound, wonderful to relate, favored by a gentle, steady breeze, had traveled a distance of upward of 100 miles over the smooth water and had been brought to a focus by the sails at the particular locality in which the sweet sounds were first heard.

This is but one of several instances of a similar kind, trustworthy authorities claiming that this same music is often heard under somewhat the same circumstances, and especially in a moisture laden atmosphere.—London Tit-Bits.

Bill and Ell.

They tell the story about Bill Nye's visit to Ell Perkins' country house, up in Madison county, N. Y. Ell has one of those farms left by his grandfather, on which are rocks, trout brooks, butternut trees and apple trees, where the ungrafted fruit is about the size of thorn apples. Nye said that Perkins' apples were "so tough that, like a worm, they would turn when you stepped on them."

"After we had been Ell's guest about a week," said Nye, "some wicked boys one night stole all his early apples. This almost broke Ell's heart. The next day he went to see the father of the wicked boys.

"'They should be punished,' said Ell. 'It was wicked to steal my choice fruit.'

"'Too late now,' said the farmer, tears coming into his eyes.

"'No; they should be soundly whipped now. It's never too late to whip those boys.'

"'But it is too late now, Mr. Perkins—too late,' pleaded the farmer tearfully. 'My poor boys were thoughtless. They ate the apples, and they are dead.'"—Boon (Ia.) News.

Did Not Like the Combination.

"I hear that that match between Oldboy and Miss Budd is off."

"Oh, yes! You see, he took her picture with his cathode camera and found her heart monopolized by his money bags and —another man."—Boston Traveller.

THE STAGE IN JAPAN.

AN INTERESTING ACCOUNT OF THE COUNTRY'S THEATERS.

The Leading Exponent of the Histrionic Art Is Ichikawa Danjiro, Ninth of the Name—Why Shakespeare's Plays Are Not Acted In Japan—Extreme Realism.

Ichikawa Danjiro, Japan's most famous Thespian, is the ninth actor to bear his historic name. In 1660, the dawn of the dramatic evolution, it was first adopted by a talented man whose genius did much to raise the stage from crudity and disreputable surroundings.

The present Danjiro has rare histrionic power and marvelous agility as a dancer. Possessed of great versatility, he is equally at home in comedy, tragedy and female personation. He has an oval face, slightly oblique eyes, sensitive nostrils, a mobile mouth and a clear, sharp enunciation.

Visiting Danjiro in his dressing room is a mere monetary transaction. A czar on his throne is no more of an autocrat than this actor in his little kingdom back of the footlights. Four valets are constantly at his side, and the whole theater staff stands ready to answer his beck and call. Throughout a high priced visitor's interview he maintains a lordly bearing, upon which the most fulsome flattery has no effect. Upon several occasions he has shouted from his dressing rooms to the stage an order commanding the actors to lengthen the scene that he might enjoy another cup of tea. At night when he leaves the stage door his profession is left behind.

At home Danjiro is a good representative of the Japanese gentleman. Meeting him then is quite a different matter. One he considers a commercial transaction, the other social, and demeans himself accordingly. He greeted us with three profound bows, each time touching the floor with his forehead. Through an interpreter he talked most entertainingly of his art, the history of the drama and the English stage. Concerning Shakespeare he said:

"I am often asked by Europeans why I have not played Shakespeare's plays. It is for this reason: All that have been explained to me put women too prominently in the foreground—make them all heroines —and that would not be accepted on the Japanese stage."

Fame and success are not without their penalties. Danjiro has nearly 50 retainers of various kinds, and they, with their extravagant habits, easily manage to dispose of his $50,000 income.

Danjiro talked freely of the development of the drama in Japan and of the present condition of theatrical affairs. In Japan every actor's rank and salary are determined by a guild of his elders. Merit alone succeeds. Bridge jumping and well advertised divorce court records are not used as claims for recognition.

Each theater has several dependent teahouses. Through them tickets in the shape of wooden billets are purchased, and arrangements for tea and meals served during the play are made. Every one smokes. Children romp about the house and on the stage before the curtain during the intermission, and the demeanor of the audience is quite as interesting as the play. Charges are made in detail. The following is from a minor theater in Tokyo:

Admission (two people)	$0 29
Box and matting	50
Fire box and cushions	39
Tea and confectionery	10
Fee to waiters	12
Teahouse	11
Total	$1 Cr

The walls of the foyer are lined with piles of clogs, for, with the usual Japanese perverseness, checks are given for shoes instead of hats. The manager uses them as a check on his doorkeeper.

A railing a foot high divides the pit of the auditorium into compartments 5 feet square. Here whole families squat on the matted floor from 11 a. m. to 9 p. m., for theater going in Japan is no after dinner pastime. Formerly theaters were open from dawn to sunset, but the unreasonable Tokyo police board recently restricted them to ten hours a day, much to the dissatisfaction of the populace.

The scenery and accessories are excellent. The miniature scale of things Japanese makes a realistic scene with lifelike accuracy possible. I have frequently seen stage pictures of street scenes with several houses, jinrikishas, horses and a hundred people, all illuminated by daylight, which greatly increases the reality of the illusion.

The Japanese stage has its blood and thunder plays and tank dramas as well as its stories of feudal days. In the theater only are the old national customs illustrated and magnificent costumes of former barbaric splendor seen. One play is very popular with foreigners on account of the introduction of trailing trousers, with two feet of cloth extending over the feet and worn in the shogun days, so that the subjects even while walking might have the appearance of kneeling to their sovereign.

Plays are usually the joint effort of a star, manager, scenic painter and a hack writer. The manager clips from newspapers accounts of a murder, fire escape or some heroic deed and submits them to the star. A hack writer, at the dictation of the star, shapes the plot, and the actors are allowed to fill in their parts in order to show themselves to the best advantage. The result is a play of unequal merit, "confusion worse confounded" and more subplots than a dime novel. As might be expected from this method, each actor keeps himself in the foreground; consequently there are several leading parts.

Realism is carried to an extreme. In the climax of a recent Japanese-Chinese war drama a new set of actors to play Chinamen was necessary every night. Blood was freely drawn, and they were battered about in a manner that aroused the wildest enthusiasm in the gallery, but was rather hard on the actors. Trick wigs, with a blood saturated sponge, concealed under the hair are used with good effect. In his death agony an actor wildly clutches his head, and, pressing the sponge, causes a stream of blood to flow down his face.—Lewis G. Stevenson in New York Sun.

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An Industry That Flourishes Best In Camden, Me.

There is a larger number of ships' anchors manufactured in the little town of Camden, Me., than at all the other places in this country combined. All of the stately ships that come out of the Maine shipyards look to the village on Penobscot bay for their anchors. Sturdy smiths swing their hammers day after day all the year long in the black, smoky, long, low Camden shops, where only anchors are forged. Sometimes the trip hammers are going all night about the forges, and the blazing of the fires and the ring of the hammers are seen and heard for miles across the bay.

Thousands of tons of old iron are purchased by these queer Camden establishments every year, for anchors are forged largely from cast off iron. The material is cut into small pieces by great shears that slip through the iron as easily as a cheese knife slices a cheese. The pieces are bound into bundles by strong wires and are then fused in the forges. Then they are pounded and welded into the various parts of the anchor, some workmen fashioning rings, others shaping the flukes, others hammering out the prims and others forging the shanks. Then the "completers" take the different parts and fuse and weld them into the finished anchor. Anchors of all sizes and weights are turned out from the noisy shops of Camden, from the graceful little pleasure boat anchor, weighing but a few pounds, to the great 5,000 and 7,500 pound anchors for the biggest ships.

The visitor in Camden will see many interesting relics in the line of rusty and broken anchors that did duty in their day on famous merchant vessels, historic warships and sturdy whalers. The anchor of the famous frigate Cumberland was repaired and fitted with a new stock at the Camden works and is now at sea on the forecastle of a big ship. The old stock was splintered up for the gratification of relic hunters, and there is only a sliver or two of the historic wood left in Camden. This was the anchor which went down with the Cumberland when she sank after her fight with the Merrimac in Hampton Roads; hence the great demand for splinters of the stock.

There are something like 5,000 people living in Camden, and anchor making is the principal industry there.—Brooklyn Eagle.

FOR LITTLE FOLKS.

CAR PLAYHOUSES.

The Boys and Girls of Westwood, O., Have Fun In Discarded Horse Cars.

The boys and girls of the big village of Westwood, O., which was recently annexed to Cincinnati, enjoy what are undoubtedly the most novel playhouses in the world. These playhouses are nothing more or less than the old cast-away horse cars, which have been useless since the trolley road has been introduced into Westwood. There are whole colonies of these abandoned horse conveyances; in fact, the back yards of the village are full of them, and every day their number is increased.

Strangers cannot understand how so many of the cars have got off the track. It seems to them as if there must have been a tidal wave, which washed all the Queen City cars into Westwood and left them stranded high and dry on sand hills and in hollows. When the electric

cars took the place of horse cars, the street railway companies asked themselves, "What is to be done with the old cars?" It would cost more to split them up than they would bring for kindling. The problem was solved by a shrewd resident of Westwood. He put one in the back yard of a neighbor and told the children they might use it for a playhouse. The children were almost "tickled to death." The little folks came for miles and peered through the pickets of the fence. Then they went home and teased for a street car and kept on teasing.

That first car was like the first boys' bicycle in an out of the way town. It created a demand. Now they are used for offices, lunchrooms and in one a big contractor pays his men every Saturday. One man has six on a vacant lot fixed up as lodging houses. But it is as playhouses that the old street cars are most successful, and the juniors of Westwood are among the most privileged of their kind in the whole land.

"So Near and Yet So Far."

Two women met as perfect strangers in the Adirondacks one summer, and, being mutually attracted, a pleasant acquaintance resulted. Quite early in its development one said to the other, "Where do you live?"

"In New York," was the reply.

"Indeed! So do I, in —th street," mentioning a street quite far up town.

"Why, I live in that same one," said her friend; "at 68. What is your number?"

"Now, really!" the other exclaimed. "Why, mine is 61!"

And, upon closer inquiry, they found that for two years they had lived next door to each other, only a brick wall of partition dividing them, in houses owned by the same man, and yet had not only never met nor become familiar with each other's personality, but also had apparently never even seen each other in all that time, but became well acquainted in a summer resort many miles from New York.—New York Journal.

Rattlesnake Prices.

Rattlesnakes, live ones, are surprisingly cheap. For $4 you can purchase a fellow that will begin buzzing like a peanut vender's steam whistle as soon as he sees you and keep it up as long as you remain in sight, while his slender black tongue darts in and out like a sewing machine needle. For $17 you can buy a six footer whose bite would seem a reasonable excuse for drinking a whole keg of whisky at a sitting. The astonishing feature of the rattlesnake trade, however, is that the snakes are cheaper dead than alive. A prepared skin the size of the $17 live rattler may be purchased for $5, although there is enough of it to make two or three pocketbooks of the kind that sell for $25 apiece.—New York Sun.

An Odd Antediluvian.

Teacher—Noah sailed 40 days and 40 nights.

Dick Hicks—And did it all without a yachting cap.—Minneapolis Tribune.

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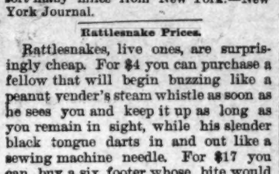

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RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans	$506,897 17	Capital	$125,000 00
Overdrafts	15 76	Surplus	$15,000 00
U. S. 4 per cent. Bonds (at par)	50,000 00	Undivided profits	17,398 91— 32 398 91
Banking House and Fixtures	10,0 0 00	Circulation	44 970 00
Due from other Banks	155,707 84	Total Deposits	719,542 63
Cash on hand	159,815 77—315,517 61		
Total	$762,9 0 54	Total	$902,930 54

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DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTHBOUND

DAILY No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 7.55 a m, Warsaw 11.11 a m, Goldsboro 12.01 p m, Wilson 12.46 p m, Rocky Mount 1.20 p m, Tarboro 2.20 p m, Weldon 3.39 p m, Petersburg 5.35 p m, Richmond 6.40 p m, Norfolk 6.05 p m, Washington 11.10 p m, Baltimore 12.55 a m, Philadelphia 3.45 a m, New York 6.50 a m, †Boston 8.30 p m.

DAILY 7.15 P M No. 42—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.55 p m, Warsaw 2.10 p m, Goldsboro 10.20 p m, Wilson 11.46 p m, †Tarboro 0.40 a m, Rocky Mount 11.55 p m, Weldon 1.44 a m, †Norfolk 10.30 a m, Petersburg 3.14 a m, Richmond 4.30 a m, Washington 7.41 a m, Baltimore 9.05 a m, Philadelphia 11.35 a m, New York 3.03 p m, Boston 9.30 p m.

SOUTHBOUND.

DAILY 3.35 P M No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.25 p m, Chadbourn 5.44 p m, Marion 6.05 p m, Florence 6.40 p m, Sumter 8.43 p m, Columbia 10.55 p m, Denmark 0.30 a m, Augusta 6.10 a m, Macon 11.00 a m, Athens 12.15 p m, Charleston 10.30 p m, Savannah 1x.50 a m, Jacksonville 7.30 a m, St. Augustine 10.30 a m, Tampa 4.50 p m.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.45 P M No. 49—Passenger—Leave †Boston 1.05 p m, New York 9.00 p m, Philadelphia 12.05 a m, Baltimore 3.50 a m, Washington 4.30 a m, Richmond 9.55 a m, Petersburg 10.00 a m, Norfolk 8.40 a m, Weldon 11.50 a m, Tarboro 12.12 p m, Rocky Mount 12.45 p m, Wilson 2.14 p m, Goldsboro 3.10 p m, Warsaw 4.09 p m, Magnolia 4.10 p m.

DAILY 9.30 a m No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 7.15 night, New York 9.00 a m, Philadelphia 12.00 p m, Baltimore 3.05 p m, Washington 3.45 p m, Richmond 7.30 p m, Petersburg 8.12 p m, †Norfolk 2.30 p m, Weldon 9.45 p m, †Tarboro 6.05 p m, Rocky Mount 5.45 a m, leave Wilson 8.20 a m, Goldsboro 7.03 a m, Warsaw 7.53 a m, Magnolia 8.16 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 12.15 p m No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.25 a m, Sanford 2.19 p m, Jacksonville 7.00 p m Savannah 12.45 night, Charleston 5.30 a m, Columbia 8.50 a m, Atlanta 7.15 a m, Macon 3.00 a m, Augusta 2.45 p m, Denmark 4.55 p m, Sumter 7.13 a m, Florence 8.56 a m, Marion 9.40 a m, Chadbourn 10.35 a m, Lake Waccamaw 11.08 a m.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 4.10 p m, Hall 4.48 p m, arrive Scotland Neck 5.30 p m, Greenville 6.57 p m, Kinston 7 55 p m. Returning, leave Kinston 7 00 a m, Greenville 8.28 a m Arriving Halifax at 11 00a m, Weldon 11.30 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.00 a m and 2 00 p m, arrive Parmele 9.50 a m and 3 40 p m; returning leaves Parmele 9 5. a m and 6 30 p m, arrives Washington 11 20 a m and 7.20 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily at 5.30 p m, arrives Plymouth 7.40 p m. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily at 7.3 a m., Arrive Tarboro 9.10 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.10 a m; arrive Smithfield, N. C., 8.3 a m. Returning leaves Smithfield 2 00 p m, arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 3.35 p m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.00 p m, Spring Hope 5.3 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 7 a m, Nashville 8.30 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9.00 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 11.35 a m and 4.10 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.00 a m and 3.45 p m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 9 10 a m, arrive Latta 9.30 a m, Dillon 9 45 a m, Rowland 10 0 a m, returning leaves Rowland 5 05 p m, arrives Dillon 5.50 p m, Latta 6.09 p m, Pee Dee 6.35 p m, daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8.30 a m, Chadbourn 10.40 a m, arrive Conway 1.0 p m, leave Conway 2.25 p m, Chadbourn 5.30 p m, arrive Hub 6.00 p m, Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6 41 p m, Manning 7.10 p m, arrive Lane's 7 48 p m, leave Lanes 8.38 a m, Manning 9.00 a m, arrive Sumter 9.35 a m, Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, † 10 p m, arrive Georgetown 12 m, 3.30 p m, leave Georgetown 7 a m, 4 p m, arrive Lanes 5.30 a m, 5.30 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2.05 p m, 11.10 p m, arrive Selma 3.00 p m. Smithfield 2.58 p m, Dunn 3.33 p m, Fayetteville 4.15 p m, 1.10 a m, Rowland 5.38 p m, returning leave Rowland 10 00 a m, Fayetteville 11.30 a m, 10.30 p m, Dunn 12.07 a m, Smithfield 12 46 p m, Selma 1.00 p m, arrive Wilson 1.40 p m, 12.10 p m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad train leaves Sumter 4 30 a m, Creston 5 2. a m, arrive Denmark 8 30 a m. Returning leave Denmark 4 55 p m, Creston 5 07 p m, Sumter 6 40 p m. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5 45 a m, arrive Pregnalls 9 15 a m. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10 p m, arrives Creston 1 30 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Bennettsville Branch trains leave Kilbert 11.10 a m and 7.45 p m, arrive Lucknow 1 p m and 8.45 p m. Returning leave Lucknow 8 05 a m and 2.00 p m, arrive Kilbo 8.25 a m and 2.30 p m.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

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W., N. & N. Railway.

In Effect Sunday, May 17, 1896
DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

NORTH BOUND		STATIONS.	SOUTH BOUND	
No 54	No 52		No 51	No 53
A M	P M	—WILMINGTON—	P M	P M
2 00		Lv...Mallory street...Ar	12 40	
† 00	3 10	Lv...Surry street...Ar	12 30	3 25
9 50		Ar...Jacksonville...Lv		12 05
11 00	5 20	Ar	10 40	10 P
11 55	6 30	Lv...Mayesville...Lv	10 00	9 18
12 20	6 44	Lv...Pollocksville...Lv	9 35	8 50
1 30	8 0	Ar...Newbern...Lv	9 20	8 10
	P M		A M	

Nos. 5 and 6 mixed trains.
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*Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
†Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
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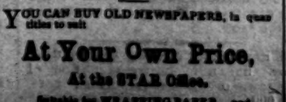

In Effect Wednesday, May 27th, 1896.

GOING EAST. Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. Arrive	GOING EAST. Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. Arrive	GOING WEST. Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 30	Goldsboro	11 35	.....
.....	4 13	Kinston	10 52	.....
5 15	5 25	Newb

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FRIDAY MORNING, JAN. 29, 1897

FORMAN'S NOMINATION.

To Be Commissioner of Internal Revenue Finally Confirmed by the Senate.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—For more than an hour the Senate this afternoon discussed in executive session the nomination of William S. Forman, of Illinois, to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue, and finally confirmed him by a vote of 41 to 15. The opposition was based almost entirely upon Mr. Forman's conduct in the recent campaign. Senator Jones, chairman of the National Democratic Committee, said he opposed the candidacy of Mr. Forman with much reluctance, but he could not permit his attacks upon the regular ticket of the Democratic party to pass unheeded, especially as they were brought to the attention of the country by the appointment to such an important position of the man who had made them. Remarks along similar lines were made by Senators Berry and Stewart. Mr. Chandler antagonized the nomination because the nominee was a Democrat who stood on a platform declaring for the single gold standard and free trade.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Wheat Demoralized—Corn and Oats Closed Lower—Lard Unchanged—Pork and Ribs Lower.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Jan. 28.—Wheat surprised all classes of traders to-day by dropping almost a full cent below the inside figures of yesterday. From 80¼c for May on Monday to 74c to-day, there has scarcely been a pause in the decline. May wheat opened from 76⅝ to 76¾c, sold at 77c, declined to and closed at 74¾—1¾c under yesterday. Cash wheat was weak and 1¾c lower.

May corn opened at 23¾c, sold between 23⅝@23⅞ and 24¼c, closing at the inside, ¼c under yesterday. Cash corn was ¼c higher, closing easy with the futures.

May oats closed ⅛@¼c under yesterday. Cash oats were steady to ¼c higher, the nominal close being easy with the advance lost.

Steadiness to firmness in the tone predominated in the product market. There was a fair demand but it was principally to cover short sales made recently. The hog market showed little change and was impotent as a factor. Later there were free offerings and prices sagged. May pork closed 7½c lower. May lard unchanged and May ribs a shade lower.

SPOTS AND FUTURES.

New York Sun's Review of the Cotton Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—The *Sun* says: Spot cotton here was unchanged; there were no sales. Middling uplands 7 5-16c against 8¼c last year; New Orleans and Gulf 7 9-16c against 8¼c last year.

The trading in cotton to-day was almost lifeless. What little business was transacted was confined mainly to local scalpers. The fluctuations in prices were few and unimportant, with the tendency downward. The large spot sales in Liverpool, together with a small local demand, caused a higher opening here. The improvement, however, was soon lost in the absence of local support and prices slowly receded. New Orleans sold here, and Liverpool sent a few selling orders. The receipts at the ports were moderate and the total for the week is now estimated at 140 000 bales maximum, against previous estimates of 150,000 bales. The southern spot markets were firm and fairly active.

IDAHO'S SENATOR.

Henry Heitfelt, a Populist, Chosen to Succeed Senator Dubois.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BOISE CITY, IDAHO, Jan. 28.—The Senatorial contest in the Idaho State Legislature terminated to-day by the election of Henry Heitfelt, a Populist, to succeed Senator Dubois. The ballot was as follows: Heitfelt, 39; Dubois, silver Republican, 30; T. F. Nelson, Populist, 1. Twenty-five Populists, thirteen Democrats and one Republican voted for the successful candidate.

Heitfelt is of German birth, with a limited command of the English language. He is 40 years of age, and is a farmer in Nese Perce county. He has several times represented his county in the State Legislature, and is at present a member of the State Senate, but has never been known to make a speech. He has only a rudimentary education, and is of course a free silver man.

VENEZUELA ARBITRATORS.

Chief Justice Fuller and Justice Brewer, of the U. S. Supreme Court.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 28.—Justice Brewer, of the Supreme Court, to-day practically confirmed the report that Chief Justice Fuller and himself had been selected as arbitrators on behalf of Venezuela in the matter of the settlement of the boundary line dispute between that country and Great Britain. The formal signing of the treaty has not yet been done, but Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Ambassador, and Senor Andrade, the Venezuelan Minister, have been in daily conference and it is understood that the convention is now ready for signatures. While these conferences have been in progress, various matters of detail, it is said, have been considered and determined on by the parties to the controversy, one of which was the choice by Venezuela of Chief Justice Fuller and Justice Brewer as its arbitrators.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 28.—Rosin dull but steady; strained common to good $1 70@1 73½. Spirits turpentine quiet at 27½@28c.

CHARLESTON, January 28.—Spirits turpentine dull and nothing doing. Rosin firm; sales — barrels; A, B, C, D $1 45, E, F $1 50, G $1 55, H $1 60, I $1 80, K $1 85, M $1 80, N $1 85, W G $2 00, W W $2 10.

SAVANNAH, January 28.—Spirits turpentine opened firm at 25½c; sales of 293 casks; closed firm at 25½c, with no additional sales reported; receipts 283 casks. Rosin firm and unchanged; sales 8,088 barrels; receipts 3,602 barrels.

Messrs. Oliver J. Matthews and Frank R. Biedler have been appointed receivers for the property of Wm. L. Biedler & Co., wholesale dry goods dealers of Baltimore, Md. The receivers are bonded for $300,000.

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SENATE AND HOUSE.

RESOLUTION TO PREVENT SALE OF THE UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD.

Debate on the Bill for a Commission to an International Monetary Conference—Political Speeches in the House in Debate on the Indian Appropriation Bill.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The proposed sale of the property of the Union Pacific Railroad under foreclosure proceedings instituted by the Attorney General is sought to be impeded and prevented by a resolution offered in the Senate by Mr. Allen, the Populist Senator from Nebraska. It instructs the Pacific Railroad Committee to require and report whether under existing law the Executive Department has the authority to foreclose the lien and to sell the property without additional legislation and whether it is not the duty of the President to redeem and pay off the paramount liens and take possession of the property; and it directs the Attorney General to refrain from entering into further stipulations or agreements pending the inquiry. In a speech in support of the resolution Mr. Allen insisted that under existing law it was the duty of the President not to direct foreclosure, but to pay off all paramount liens and take possession of the property. To an inquiry by Mr. Platt (Republican, of Connecticut) whether the remedies provided in the statute were cumulative or were alternative, Mr. Allen replied that the language was such as to shut out the idea of the remedies being alternative. He also declared that the price named in the agreement with the reorganization committee was not equal to 35 per cent. of the value of the property. The resolution went over without action. Mr. Thurston (Republican, of Nebraska) stating his desire to speak upon it to-morrow.

The bill for a commission to an international monetary conference was taken up and Mr. Chandler of New Hampshire, Republican, made a short statement in favor of it. He said that it did not compel the President to initiate the conference, and that such compulsion was not desirable. He had no desire to take from the President-elect his responsibility for action or non-action in view of Mr. McKinley's letter of acceptance stating that the Republican party had declared in favor of an international agreement, and that it would be his duty if elected to employ all proper means to promote it. He subsequently, however, accepted an amendment offered by Mr. Bacon of Georgia, Democrat giving the President authority specifically to call an international conference at such point as may be agreed upon.

All the rest of the time that was left of the morning hour, to which the consideration of the bill was limited, was occupied by Mr. Stewart of Nevada, Populist, in a speech recounting the ills inflicted upon the poor by the gold standard, but declaring in the end that he would allow the bill to pass in any form that its friends desired.

Notice of a desire to speak on the measure was given by Mr. Pettigrew of South Dakota, Silver, and then the bill went over, Mr. Chandler stating that he would ask the Senate to vote on it to-morrow.

The Senate then went into executive session and remained in it until half past four, when legislative business was resumed. Several bills were taken from the calendar and passed, and at 5.15 the Senate adjourned until to-morrow.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Several interesting and at times humorous and acrimonious political speeches were unexpectedly precipitated upon the House to-day, during which the consideration of the Indian Appropriation bill, began on Monday last, was concluded, and the bill passed with some material changes, all reducing the scope of the measure. Mr. Wadsworth of New York, Republican, chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, had called up the bill making appropriations for the Agricultural Department for the year 1897-'98, and following Mr. Sherman's course in the management of the Indian bill, yielded the floor to Mr. Grosvenor of Ohio, Republican. That gentleman used the opportunities thus accorded him to defend the State of Ohio from what he termed the false charges of ex Governor Altgeld, made in the latter's speech at the banquet given him last week to mark the close of his gubernatorial term. These related to the great increase in the votes of several States at the November election, Ohio being one, which Altgeld said was largely fraudulent and which had defrauded Bryan of a victory which he had fairly won. Mr. Grosvenor said the increase was in both the Republican and Democratic votes, and had no taint of fraud in it.

Mr. Grosvenor was followed in the same line by Mr. Bromwell, and then Mr. Dearmond (Democrat, of Missouri) took the floor. After briefly adverting to ex Gov. Altgeld's charges, he read from newspaper publications shortly after the election to show that there was some ground for them, so far as Ohio was concerned. He intimated that Altgeld would soon have the privilege of replying to the speeches of the Athenian Representative (Grosvenor) on the floor. He turned his attention to Secretary Morton, using as a basis for his remarks the recent bulletin issued by the Agricultural Department showing the illiteracy and poverty of the States which voted for Bryan as compared with those of the McKinley States, and denounced it as a slander upon the men whom the Department of Agriculture was supposed to particularly represent. He appealed to the Republicans to find a place for the Secretary in the museum as a curiosity of modern political life and administration. In conclusion he parodied Gray's lines:

"Full many a whim of purest ray serene,
The dark, unfathomed dreams of Morton bear;
Full many a wheel is formed to whir unseen,
And waste its fleetness 'neath J. Sterling's hair."

This being ended, the committee rose, and at 5.10 o'clock the House adjourned.

During the day Mr. Grout of Vermont, Republican, reported the Appropriation bill for the District of Columbia. Mr. Thomas of Michigan, Republican, gave notice that on Wednesday next he would ask the House to consider the report of Elections Committee No. 3 on the contest of Corsell vs. Swanson, from the Virginia District, and Mr. Powers of Vermont, Republican, presented the report of the conferees on the bill to enable the purchasers of the Atlantic & Pacific Railroad to form a corporation.

LYNCHING IN ALABAMA.

A Negro Who Assaulted a Young White Girl in Bibb County.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., Jan. 28.—News reached this city to-day of a lynching in Bibb county, near Briarfield. A negro, name unknown, raped a young white girl named Battle. A posse went in pursuit of him, despite the bitter cold weather, and after a search captured and brought him up for identification. On being identified he was started toward the county jail, but was lost somewhere in the snow.

Fire yesterday morning destroyed almost the entire business portion of the town of Centreburg, Ohio. Loss, $75,000.

BATTLE AT BIRMINGHAM

Between Dick Burge and Eddie Connolly for 1,000 Pounds a Side—Resulted in a Draw.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

BIRMINGHAM, Jan. 28.—The match between Dick Burge and Eddie Connolly, formerly of St. John's, N. B., and later of Boston, for £1 000 a side, took place before the Olympic Sporting Club here to-night and resulted in a draw. The men were matched to fight twenty rounds at 144 pounds. At the end of the tenth round both men were too weak to fight longer and the referee declared the fight drawn. Burge fought at 148 pounds and Connolly at 138. During the afternoon Burge was a strong favorite in the betting, the odds on him being two to one. The fighting was very fierce from the start. Connolly led the hitting at a tremendous pace, but he was stopped repeatedly by blows on the face. After five rounds, in which the exchanges were about even, Burge landed a crushing blow on Connolly's neck, knocking him down. The latter, however, was on his feet again in eight seconds, and Burge was just going in to finish the fight when time was called. Connolly recovered with marvellous rapidity from the effects of the blow which came so near knocking him out, and in the next round he landed several blows which made Burge groggy. The spectators were wild with excitement when the saw they favorite in this condition.

At the end of the ninth round both men were terribly weak, but both were game. In the middle of the tenth round the management declined to allow the fight to proceed further, and the referee therefore stopped the men and declared the battle a draw.

BUILDING ASSOCIATIONS

Winding Up Business in Knoxville Because of a Decision of the Tennessee Courts.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

KNOXVILLE, Jan. 28.—A receiver was appointed to-day for the Covenant Building and Loan Association of this city, making the seventh one to go under during the last ten days. Of the nine building and loan associations doing business in this city there are now but two, and they are doomed to go in short while. The panic in building and loan associations here was caused by a decision of the Supreme Court which provides that where a borrower forfeited his property that the association must pay him back such amount as he had paid in. Following this, hundreds of suits were at once begun and then the people who had money invested began to withdraw it. Applications for withdrawal came so fast that money could not be obtained to pay off one-third of them. Public sentiment was bitterly opposed to the associations and the result was that they went into receivers' hands and the seven will be wound up. The Southern, which was the second one to fail, is the largest in the world and had stockholders in every Northern, Eastern and Southern State, and many in the West. In nearly every instance the associations were in a perfectly solvent condition when the receiver was appointed.

McKINLEY'S CABINET.

Six Men Who are Regarded as Certain of Appointment.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CANTON, Jan. 28.—It may be safely assumed that Maj. McKinley has decided at present upon six men for his Cabinet, though he has not formally tendered all of them portfolios. The men who are regarded as certain of appointment are: John Sherman, Lyman J. Gage, Nathan Goff, Joseph McKenna, John D. Long, and James Wilson of Iowa for Secretary of Agriculture. Gen. R. A. Algers' appointment as Secretary of War is by no means certain. The one remaining portfolio, which is not likely to be tendered before the middle or last of February, will doubtless go to a New Yorker or a Pennsylvanian. Mr. Gage said this evening and authorized the Southern Associated Press to say: "I have been tendered the appointment of Secretary of the Treasury by Maj McKinley and have accepted it."

Among Maj McKinley's callers today were four colored bishops—B. Warnett, Ohio; W. J. Gaines, Atlanta; Jos. Handy, Baltimore, and J. W. Derrick, New York.

SEVERE STORM

Along the Coast of New Jersey—Trains Delayed and Telegraph Wires Down—Tide the Highest for Years.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Jan. 28.—Reports from up and down the New Jersey coast show that the prevailing snow storm is the heaviest experienced in several years in this latitude. Outside the wind is strong. Besides the snow, the weather is so thick with fog that the strongest marine glass cannot penetrate it deeper than 100 or so yards. An uncommonly heavy sea is running at Atlantic Highlands.

The surf is riding over the board walk at Asbury Park. The snow is so deep that all traffic on wheels is stopped. Trains running into Long Branch are all delayed and wires are down from Barnegat City to Atlantic City. At Sea Isle City the sea walls of several cottages have been destroyed by the storm. Business is nearly suspended in Ocean City on account of the storm. The tide is the highest for years and the biggest fall of snow, mixed with fog, envelops Eggs Harbor.

FREEZE IN FLORIDA.

The Mercury Dropped to Twenty-one Degrees in Jacksonville.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSONVILLE, Jan. 28.—Florida was visited this morning by the coldest weather of the Winter, the mercury falling in Jacksonville to twenty-one degrees and to thirty degrees at Tampa, in the southwest central portion of the State. Vegetables as far south as Sanford were badly hurt, but not entirely ruined. The orange and other semi-tropical fruit interests were not damaged to any considerable degree. The fortunate feature of the freeze was that it was of short duration. The lowest temperature was reported in the State at 6 o'clock this morning and by 9 o'clock the weather had greatly moderated.

BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Deaths from the Disease in Bombay and Other Cities in India.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

BOMBAY, Jan. 28.—The official report issued shows there have been 4,896 cases of the bubonic plague and 3,875 deaths from the disease in the city of Bombay, and 894 cases and 664 deaths from the plague have occurred at Karachi. There have been 85 case and 60 deaths at Poonah and a few cases have appeared at Kathiawar, Suret, Kutch, Baroda and other places.

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NEW ENGLAND'S BLIZZARD.

A Storm of Great Severity—Snow Fifteen to Thirty-four Inches Deep—Roads Impassable—Railway Service Demoralized.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BOSTON, MASS., Jan. 28.—Not since the blizzard of 1888 has there been a storm of such severity throughout New England as that which prevailed during the past twenty-four hours. All sections report heavy snow, varying all the way from fifteen to thirty-four inches on the level, while the high wind that has been blowing has in many places piled up drifts of five to ten feet in height. Country roads are everywhere rendered almost impassable, while steam railroad, electric railway, telegraph and telephone service has been pretty thoroughly demoralized. In many places schools have been closed, portions of mills shut down and business of all kinds practically suspended.

The storm in this city developed into very near a blizzard and the snow fall has been about 24 inches, causing great interruption to street cars and steam railroad traffic, besides practically placing an embargo upon all ships hereabouts. With the exception of two or three schooners, which came in this morning, the harbor has been barren of arrivals. Ferry boats are making their trips, but are greatly hampered by the thick snow. All sorts of rumors have been afloat in regard to vessels being ashore at Nahant, Winthrop and other points, but inquiry has failed to confirm any of them.

Rockville, Conn., reports a fall of thirty four inches of snow and drifts from five to six feet deep.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRES

At Cincinnati and Youngstown, Ohio, and Bay City, Michigan.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 28.—The block bounded by Race, Commerce, Vine and Second streets was the scene of a destructive fire at 2 o'clock this morning. The blaze originated in the engine room of the Herman Goepper & Co. malt house, on Commerce street, and spread rapidly to the cordage establishment of Overman & Schroeder and the commission houses of W. W. Blair & Co. and Mellen, Brown & Co. These buildings were completely destroyed, entailing a loss of about $300 000.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO, January 28.—The wholesale grocery house of Leavitt, McConnell & Co., in the Schultz block, was entirely destroyed by fire at 7 o'clock this morning. The fire was caused by a heater in the basement. Adjoining buildings were damaged, but saved by the fire department. The firemen claim that there was a lack of water pressure. The losses are: Leavitt, McConnell & Co., $50 000. Insurance $30,0 0. Emil Schultz $25 000, insurance $10,000.

BAY CITY MICH., Jan. 28.—The Van Emster block, a frame building two stories high, at the head of Washington avenue, was gutted by fire this morning. Theodore During, aged 58 years, unmarried, was smothered. Florentine J. Van Emster, the pioneer druggist of the city, and a member of the first State Pharmacy Board, was terribly burned about the head and will die. Mrs. Van Emster and four young daughters and her mother and sister were rescued by passers-by. The property loss is small.

SUICIDES AT NORFOLK.

One a Son of the Late Judge Lewis Hilliard —The Other a Woman Whose Mind Was Unbalanced.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., Jan. 28.—About five o'clock this afternoon Mrs. Wm. Shirzynski shot herself in the stomach with a revolver. She died at 9 o'clock tonight. Her mind was unbalanced by the death of her little child some months ago.

Early this afternoon the body of a man was found in a room at the Mansion House. It was afterwards identified as that of David Hilliard, a son of the late Judge Lewis Hilliard, once prominent here as a cotton man. Hilliard registered at the hotel Sunday night. He was out Monday night, but went to his room Tuesday night and was not again seen alive. From the condition of the body it is thought that he had been dead at least thirty six or forty-eight hours. It is thought to be a case of deliberate suicide, though the only clue so far discovered is an empty pill-box, which was in a waste basket by the bed. It is probable he took from this the drug that ended his life. The body is at the morgue and an inquest will be held to-morrow. The deceased lived in North Carolina, probably at Edenton, and leaves a wife. He had been away from Norfolk a number of years.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT

On the Brooklyn Elevated Railroad—Several Persons Injured—Two Fatally.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BROOKLYN, Jan. 28.—The ice and snow, with an open switch, was the cause of an engine and one car of the Brooklyn Elevated Railroad to leave the structure at Fulton and Bradford streets to night, falling to the ground, a distance of twenty five feet. Several persons were injured as well as the car and engine being entirely demolished. Two persons, it is said, will die. The injured are: Thomas Gaffney, engineer of engine No. 74, living at 652 Chauncey street, skull fractured and other injuries to the body; George Thomas, of Canarsie, fireman of the same engine, scalded in the face and limbs by escaping steam; both taken to St. Mary's Hospital; Albert Brown, engineer of engine No 67, severely wounded on the scalp; Thomas Heath, of No. 341 New Jersey avenue, fireman with Brown, left leg amputated. The passengers hurt are: Henry Sebers, of No. 134 Cleveland street, sprain of left leg; Julius Hansbry, of Railroad and New Jersey avenues, Jersey City, fracture of spine; Andrew Gorgans, of No. 8 Montauk avenue, contusion of hips and legs; Henry Hinke, of Railroad avenue, near Jamaica, wounds to the scalp. Heath and Gaffney will die.

KILLED BY BURGLARS.

Virgil M. Moore, a Groceryman of Chattanooga.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Jan. 28.—At an early hour this morning Virgil M. Moore, a well-to-do groceryman of this city, was called to his store by the ringing of a burglar alarm. He surprised four white men in the act of pillaging the place, but when ordered to throw up their hands they opened fire on him at close range, inflicting wounds from which he died later. One of the robbers was wounded and left a trail of blood through the snow to the bank of the Tennessee river.

In Olden Times

People overlooked the importance of permanently beneficial effects and were satisfied with transient action; but now that it is generally known that Syrup of Figs will permanently overcome habitual constipation, well-informed people will not buy other laxatives, which act for a time, but finally injure the system.

MANIAC MURDERER.

Brutally Butchered His Wife and Three Children.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WAYNE, NEB. Jan. 28.—While in a fit of madness C. K. Rash brained his wife and three children with an axe and then hacked the bodies to pieces last night. The walls and ceiling were spattered with blood. The body of Mrs. Rash was found on the bed with the head so badly battered that it was scarcely recognizable. In an adjoining room lay the bodies of the children. Upstairs in a loft lay the husband of the family. His vacant stare and wandering talk showed that reason had left him. The maniac was placed in restraint. The cause of his action is a mystery. The family was in moderate circumstances, and esteemed highly. They lived on a farm ten miles south of this city.

WARM WIRELETS.

The heavy ice in the Ohio river caused a total suspension of navigation.

The Italian War Office has ordered six battalions of troops to be got in readiness to start for Massowah.

The President sent to the Senate yesterday the nomination of W. S. Harris as postmaster at Wilson, N. C.

The flagship San Francisco has arrived at Villefranche the Boston at Chemulpo, and the Raleigh at Key West.

The physicians at Garfield hospital report that Senator George passed a comfortable night and was better yesterday morning.

Dan Stuart last night announced that the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight will take place in Nevada on March 17th. He will make known the town in ten days.

A family named Norton, consisting of father, mother and three children, froze to death Wednesday night in their home near Mount Ida, Montgomery county, Arkansas.

The Nevada Senate passed the bill licensing glove contests. It passed the Assembly on Monday last. The general opinion is that the Governor will sign the bill.

A dispatch from Madrid says that Premier Canovas has made formal denial that any negotiations for a new commercial treaty between Spain and the United States are in progress, as has been alleged.

Ten inches of snow fell in New York City Wednesday night, sixteen inches at Rochester, four at Binghampton and heavy fall at Kingston. The storm centre at 8 a. m. yesterday was along the lower New England coast.

The Senatorial dead-lock in the Washington Legislature continues. Three more ballots were taken yesterday without a result. The twenty-fourth ballot was as follows: Winsor 42, Turner 35, Denny 26, Cline 2.

President Cleveland will go to New York to-morrow to fulfill an engagement to speak at the opening of the National Mercial Societies convention at Carnegie hall in the evening.

Three fruitless ballots for U. S. Senator were taken yesterday by the Utah Legislature taken to day. A lady, Mrs. E. R. Le-Barhi, whois a member of lower house, received four votes.

Specials to the Columbia, S. C., *State* report temperature at Eastly zero; Pickens, two below; Marietta, four below. They are in the Piedmont section. At Greenville it was six above; Columbia, thirteen.

Gladness Comes

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If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

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MARY F. VANAMRINGE, Executrix.

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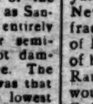

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